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INTERAGENCY OPERATING PROCEDURE NO. 1

SUBJECT: Briefing of Service Attaches by the Central Intelligence Agency

AGENCIES PARTICIPATING IN THIS AGREEMENT:

Central Intelligence Agency  
Department of the Army  
Department of the Navy  
Department of the Air Force

For the purpose of effecting maximum coordination and efficiency in the briefing of newly appointed Service Attaches and Assistant Attaches by the Central Intelligence Agency prior to their departure for foreign posts, it is agreed that certain operating procedures shall be established governing the scheduling and conduct of such briefings. Since these procedures are currently in effect, this agreement is intended merely to clarify and formalize them.

In general the following provisions for such briefings are agreed upon:

1. The participating agencies will inform the Central Intelligence Agency of all new assignments of such attaches or assistant attaches, approximately one month prior to their departure for duty abroad. The information given to the Central Intelligence Agency will include the individual's background and the nature and location of his new assignment.

2. The Central Intelligence Agency will brief all such attaches and assistant attaches, unless the Service Department concerned considers that their assignments are of a purely administrative nature. Normally, briefings will be conducted during the week prior to their departure for duty abroad.

3. Briefings will consist of a discussion of the situation in the area of assignment, particularly with reference to the collection requirements of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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